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CENTRAL PLANNING STAFF

SPECIAL ASSIGNMENT MEMO NO. 2

SUBJECT: Development of Intelligence on USSR

1. The Chief of the Intelligence Branch, Central Planning Staff, has been designated as the CIG coordinator on the planning committee provided in paragraph 5 of CIG Directive No. 9. This appointment was announced by memorandum of the Secretary, NIA, dated 13 May. It enclosed a memorandum by the Director of Central Intelligence, also dated 13 May, defining the authority of the coordinator to be exercised subject to direction of the Chief, Central Planning Staff.

2. It should be noted that this function is assigned to an office, rather than to an individual. The Chief, Intelligence Branch, and in his absence the Acting Chief, will carry out the functions herewith assigned, making full use of all personnel and facilities of his Branch.

3. Except in matters of major policy, the Chief, Intelligence Branch, will, subject to direction from this office, act for the Director of Central Intelligence in deciding matters upon which the planning committee disagrees. He will keep this office informed of all such disagreements, and of the decisions made. In any case of disagreement which he is not empowered to decide, or in any case where he considers it advisable to refer the matter to this office for advice on the decision, he will submit a report and recommendations to this office. In matters of major policy, the recommendations will include the draft of a proposed report to the Director of Central Intelligence, and a draft of the proposed action by him.

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Acting Chief, Central Planning Staff

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